

Agenda  
Otay Ranch Preserve Owner Manager  
Policy Committee  
Thursday, September 5, 2002, 4:00 PM  
Chula Vista City Hall, Conference Rooms 2 & 3  
276 Fourth Avenue  
Chula Vista CA 91910

1. Status of the Resource Management Plan, Phase 2 (Boaz/Leiter)
  - a. Actions taken by the County of San Diego
  - b. Actions taken by the City of Chula Vista
2. Purpose of Preserve Owner Manager (Boaz/Leiter/Rosaler)  
  
Review JEPA Agreement
3. Otay Ranch Project Update (Boaz/Leiter)
  - a. Matrix of City/County actions
  - b. Village 11/University site
4. Recommendation to Policy Committee for Allocation of Chula Vista Mello Roos District funds for Management and Monitoring activities (Boaz/Lundstedt)

**Discussion:**

**There currently is \$265,000 in District funds that can be used for operations, maintenance and biota monitoring in the preserve, including unincorporated area.**

**Recommendation Preserve Management Team:**

- 1. Mello Roos District Funds can be used for Management and Monitoring activities on lands subject to IODs in the incorporated and unincorporated area.**
- 2. Request City of Chula Vista Community Facilities District Attorneys review:**
  - a. Possibility of County annexing into the current Mello Roos Assessment District in order to collect assessments from development in the unincorporated area; and**

- b. Whether funds can be used in the Otay River Valley Park for operations, maintenance and monitoring of open space purposes.**
5. Recommendation to Policy Committee for Preserve Management Options (Parks)

**Discussion:**

**There should be a strong agency lead (POM) in management of the Preserve. Many initiatives are taking place within this area including activities associated with the Proposition 13 Otay River watershed management plan, Regional Park, Special Area Management Plan, Multiple Species Conservation Program and the Stormwater Permit In the future, there may be some opportunity to subcontract some services to non-governmental agencies or non-profit organizations. The County is prepared to deal with these issues in the interim.**

**Recommendation Preserve Management Team:**

**Reaffirm the County Parks Department as the lead agency for management of the preserve. Parks staff will return to the Policy Committee in 90 days with a management, maintenance and monitoring strategy for the preserve and recommendations regarding the disposition of the IODs and Mello Roos Funds for management costs.**

6. Determine Recommendation to Policy Committee for Acceptance of Irrevocable Offers of Dedication of Open Space Lands in the Otay Ranch Preserve (Boaz/Parks/Leiter)

**Preserve Management Team Discussion:**

**A recommendation will be presented at the Policy Committee in 90 days upon receipt and discussion of the management strategy developed by Parks staff.**

7. Discuss possible transfer of preserve owner manager duties to the National Wildlife Refuge (Boaz/Leiter)

**Preserve Management Team Discussion:**

**Before management responsibilities can be transferred to the National Wildlife Refuge the following need to be determined and agreed upon by the agencies:**

**Trail Easements/Access  
Utilities Easements/Access  
Recreational Opportunities  
Fire Management Plans**

**Meetings with the National Wildlife Refuge will be scheduled in the future. It is anticipated that any transfer would not take place for approximately one to two years.**

- 8. Resource Management Plan, Phase 2 Amendments (Boaz/Leiter)**

**Preserve Management Team Discussion:**

**A working group will be formed with members of the City of Chula Vista and County Planning and Parks Department staff to prepared proposed amendments to the RMP Phase 2. It is agreed that a consultant should be hired to work with this working group to bring these amendments forward for consideration by the City and County in the near future.**

- 9. Next Steps of the Preserve Owner Manager**

**Preserve Management Team Discussion:**

- 1. Preparation of Preserve Management Strategy and Recommendation to accept IODs upon funding from Mello Roos District for consideration by the Policy Committee in 90 days.**
- 2. Schedule Working Group Meeting for update of the RMP Phase 2**
- 3. Schedule City/County/Landowner meeting to review strategy and other items before the next Preserve Management Team and Policy Committee Meetings.**
- 4. City of Chula Vista Community Facilities District Attorneys to review questions as stated under Item #4 above.**
- 5. Matrix of City/County actions be prepared**
- 6. Regular monthly Status Reports will be jointly prepared by City and County staff.**